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## Alcoholic Beverage Control Suspends License of Long Branch Saloon

Police Officers Crack Down on Illegal Drug Sales

(**Bakersfield**) – On Monday, June 4, 2012, California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Investigators posted a 45 day suspension at the Long Branch Saloon located at 907 North Chester Avenue in Bakersfield.

Detectives from the Bakersfield Police Department and the Kern County Sheriff's Department (Joint Vice Task Force), along with ABC Investigators, visited the location in an undercover capacity multiple times during the month of February 2011. They made multiple purchases of illegal drugs (methamphetamine). As a result of the findings from the investigation, the license of the bar is suspended for the next 45 days and alcohol cannot be sold during that period.

The Joint Vice Task Force initiated the investigation after receiving complaints of possible illegal activity. ABC is a Department of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.